

Whis-Purr Rescue, Inc.

SURRENDERING CATS OR KITTENS?

Unfortunately with the number of cats and kittens now residing with rescue groups and in shelters, it is difficult to find a place that can take in and care for your cats or kittens, whether you are surrendering your personal pets or wanting to turn in cats and kittens found in your neighborhood. Please review the information provided in this document as you consider your options.

If you must surrender your cat....

1. Be sure that your kitty has been spayed/neutered, disease tested, vaccinated and ready for a new home. When re-homing your kitty, or finding a new home for a kitty that may be stray it is important that this kitty cannot have more kitties and can safely be in a home with other cats or kittens. While a rescue group or shelter might not be able to take in your kitty, most rescues can offer their services in helping with this process.

2. Post the kitty on craigslist and Facebook - Write a short description about your cats or kittens and include pictures as well. This will help give interested adopters insight on their personality. **Please do not list them as “Free”**. Always ask for a small re-homing/adoption fee. This will help deter any “bad” people from taking them. There are animal abusers who look for “Free” animals to hurt or sell for research. Make sure you screen interested adopters to make sure it is a GOOD home! Your cats or kittens deserve a good and safe home!

3. Make a flyer for your kitty - Post it around your neighborhood. You can post in grocery stores, Starbucks, etc... Make sure to include your contact information on the flyer along with pictures and a description about the cats or kittens

4. Talk to local rescue groups - Ask about participating in their adoption events. Some rescues will let you bring the kitty down to an adoption fair; this will help get them visibility and hopefully adopted! You can find local rescue groups by going on Petfinder.com and typing in your address. A list of local rescues will be listed in your area. You will also find a list of some of the rescues in this document.

5. Network with Friends and Family – Send an email out to your friends, family and see if any of them might be interested in adopting your kitty. Ask them to help spread the word as well!

If you must contact a humane society please make sure to ask if they might plan to euthanize the kitty at any time. While they may advertise as such, humane societies are typically NOT “No-Kill”. They do not kill what they deem “adoptable” animals unless they run out of space or the kitty gets sick. Humane Societies run out of space very fast and will euthanize if they need to!! Please give your kitty a shot at finding a new home by trying some of the suggestions above. Your kitty is worth the effort and deserves a second chance at finding another home!!!

“NO KILL” RESCUE GROUPS

CAT HOUSE ON THE KINGS

7120 S. Kings River Rd.

Parlier, CA 93648

559-638-8696

<http://www.cathouseonthekings.com/index.php>

Note: If you need to surrender an unadoptable or otherwise unwanted cat, please contact Lynea at (559) 638-8696 to obtain permission (6am-11am / 1pm-4pm Pacific, Thu-Sun only). Then you can complete their online [surrender form](#). The form also explains the [fee they charge](#) to help defray the cost of lifetime care for each surrendered cat.

A Safe Haven For Cats

Redwood Shores

650-802-9686

<http://www.safehavenforcats.com/>

Specialize in and only take pre-wean kittens

Nine Lives Foundation

Redwood City

650-368-1365

ninelivesfoundation@gmail.com

<http://www.ninelivesfoundation.org/>

Humanimal Connection

Redwood City

888-538-9402

info@humanimalconnection.com

<http://www.humanimalconnection.com/>

Peninsula Cat Works

Palo Alto

650-329-9570

info@peninsulacatworks.org

<http://www.peninsulacatworks.org/>

Community Cat Rescue

Palo Alto

650-308-4228

info@communitycatrescue.org

<http://www.communitycatrescue.org/>

Companions in Waiting
Half Moon Bay
650-328-0474
companionsinwaiting@yahoo.com
<http://www.companionsinwaiting.org/>

Itty Bitty Orphan Kitty Rescue
Campbell
408-414-3204
info@ibokrescue.org
<http://www.ittybittyorphankittyrescue.org/>

Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary
San Jose
408- 420-SAFE (7233)
info@safehavenanimalsanctuary.org
<http://safehavenanimalsanctuary.org/>

Town Cats of Morgan Hill
Morgan Hill
408- 779-5761
<http://www.towncats.org/>

Furry Friends
Fremont
510-794-4703
info@furryfriendsrescue.org
<http://www.furryfriendsrescue.org/>

Alley Cat Rescue
Fremont
510-713-8674
<http://www.alleycatrescue.com/>

Home At Last Animal Rescue
Berkeley
510-981-0890
info@homeatlastrescue.org
<http://www.homeatlastrescue.org/>

Spay/Neuter Assistance Vouchers / San Mateo County

(more info? goto: <http://smchealth.org/node/347>)

How do I get a voucher?

To request a voucher please call (650) 573-3940 and leave the following information:

- Full name
- Mailing address, please include city and zip code
- Telephone number
- Driver's License number
- How many vouchers you require
- What type of animal do you need a voucher for: dog, cat, feral cat, rabbit, guinea pig, etc.

A maximum of six (6) feral cat vouchers can be given out to an individual in a given month. Please tell us where you are trapping the feral cats when you call. Individuals are limited to ten (10) domestic animal vouchers per year. Once your request is received, you will be placed on a wait list. As soon as funds become available, the vouchers will be mailed to you.

Once you receive the vouchers, you should make an appointment with a participating clinic to have the surgery performed. Vouchers cover some or all of the surgery costs. Often clinics have co-payments. Ask in advance what fees you will be responsible for paying. Please note: vouchers expire. Look at the expiration date on your voucher when making your appointment.

Spay/Neuter Program in Santa Clara County

(more info? goto: <http://www.sccgov.org/sites/acc/SpayNeuterProgram/Pages/default.aspx>)

The County of Santa Clara recognizes the benefits achieved by providing a widely available, low-cost spay/neuter program for cats and dogs. This program is available to all County residents through the participating veterinary clinics listed below. Pricing and pre-surgery requirements vary by vet, so call in advance for more information and to make an appointment. The following services are offered:

FERAL CATS

- Spay/neuter surgery plus rabies and FVRCP vaccinations.
- The cat's ear will be notched for easy identification as one already "fixed."
- The cost is \$10 for residents of unincorporated Santa Clara County and the cities of Gilroy, Sunnyvale or Mountain View. The cost to all other County residents is \$25.
- Cats must be feral (not friendly) and must be brought to the veterinary clinic in a humane trap.

PET CATS

- Spay/neuter surgery plus rabies and FVRCP vaccinations.
- The cost for all County residents is the veterinary clinic's regular price less \$30.
- Cats must be brought to the veterinary clinic in a secure carrier.